GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2355
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2002
FAKE PASSPORTS/TRAVEL DOCUMENTS
THAAWAR CHAND GEHLOT

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of fake passports and travel documents unearthed in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to check such incidents?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a): As per the information furnished by NCRB, the number of cases of fake passports and travel documents unearthed in the country during each of the last three years, State-wise is given in the enclosed statement (Annexures A,B&C).

(b): Detection, registration, investigation and prevention of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Central Government has been advising the State Governments, from time to time, to give more focussed attention to the improvement of administration of Criminal Justice System.

Improvements in the security features of Indian Passports and Visa stickers to minimize tampering are undertaken on a continuing basis. All immigration staff also exercise vigilance in this regard and are given special training and equipment to scrutinize travel documents to ascertain their genuineness. New security features in the passport are introduced from time to time to make them tamper proof.

Annexure - `A`

Statement referred to in the part (a) of the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred QuestionNo. 2355 for 30.07.2002 regarding Fake Passports/Travel Documents

Sl.No.	State/UT	Number of Cases of Fake Passports/Travel Documents unearthed in the country
	STATES	
	1999	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	40
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2
3.	Assam	54
4.	Bihar	2
5.	Goa	0
6.	Gujarat	6
7	Haryana	9

8. Himachal Pradesh 0

9. Jammu & Kashmir 33
10. Karnataka 41
11. Kerala 41
12. Madhya Pradesh 2
13. Maharashtra 18
14. Manipur 0
15. Meghalaya 0
16. Mizoram 42
17. Nagaland 0
18. Orissa 0
19. Punjab 91
20. Rajasthan 17
21. Sikkim 0
22. Tamil Nadu 19
23. Tripura 0
24. Uttar Pradesh 4
25. West Bengal 12

TOTAL (States) 433

UNION TERRITORIES

26. A & N Islands 0
27. Chandigarh 0
28. D & N Haveli 0
29. Daman & Diu 0
30. Delhi 39
31. Lakshadweep 0
32. Pondicherry 0

TOTAL(UTs) 39

TOTAL (All-India) 472

Annexure - `B`

Statement referred to in the part (a) of the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred QuestionNo. 2355 for 30.07.2002 regarding Fake Passports/Travel Documents

Sl. No. State/UT Number of Cases of Fake Passports/Travel Documents unearthed in the country

STATES

2000

1. Andhra Pradesh 25

2. Arunachal Pradesh 1

3. Assam 3

4. Bihar 2

5. Goa 0
6. Gujarat 23

7 Haryana 4

8. Himachal Pradesh 0

9. Jammu & Kashmir 21
10. Karnataka 20
11. Kerala 23
12. Madhya Pradesh 2
13. Maharashtra 14
14. Manipur 0
15. Meghalaya 1
16. Mizoram 12
17. Nagaland 0
18. Orissa 0
19. Punjab 48
20. Rajasthan 26
21. Sikkim 0
22. Tamil Nadu 34
23. Tripura 0
24. Uttar Pradesh 9
25. West Bengal 10

TOTAL (States) 278

UNION TERRITORIES

26. A & N Islands 0
27. Chandigarh 0
28. D & N Haveli 0
29. Daman & Diu 0
30. Delhi 33
31. Lakshadweep 0
32. Pondicherry 0

TOTAL(UTs) 33

TOTAL (All-India) 311

Annexure - `C`

Statement referred to in the part (a) of the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred QuestionNo. 2355 for 30.07.2002 regarding Fake Passports/Travel Documents

Sl. No. State/UT Number of Cases of Fake Passports/Travel Documents unearthed in the country

STATES

2001

1 Andhra Pradesh 61
2 Arunachal Pradesh 0
3 Assam 0
4 Bihar 16
5 Chhatisgarh 13
6 Goa 0
7 Gujarat 47
8 Haryana 16
9 Himachal Pradesh 0
10 Jammu & Kashmir 8
11 Jharkhand 0

12	Karnataka	24
13	Kerala	36
14	Madhya Pradesh	20
15	Maharashtra	30
16	Manipur	1
17	Meghalaya	1
18	Mizoram	16
19	Nagaland	0
20	Orissa	0
21	Punjab	55
22	Rajasthan	31
23	Sikkim	0
24	Tamil Nadu	5
25	Tripura	0
26	Uttranchal	0
27	Uttar Pradesh	0
28	West Bengal	1
	TOTAL (States)	381
	UNION TERRITORIES	
29	A & N Islands	0
30	Chandigarh	0
31	D & N Haveli	0
32	Daman & Diu	0
33	Delhi	32
34	Lakshadweep	0
35	Pondicherry	2
	TOTAL(UTs)	34
	TOTAL (All-India)	415